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Attendance at Lectures

REFERENCE: Your memorandum dated 31 October 1951, Attendance by CIA Civilian Employees at Department of Defense Schools.

1. From an Agency viewpoint, I believe enrollment in the Department of Defense high-level schools would be highly desirable both in respect to current public relations and to a long-term investment in the effective exercise of CIA coordination duties within the Government. Such long-term investments inevitably must be measured against the cost of utilizing current resources which, so far as ORR is concerned, are unequal to fulfilling current demands.

2. Of the four (4) schools at which CIA has no quota, ORR would be primarily interested in the Industrial College of the Armed Forces and possibly the Armed Forces Staff College. At present, members of ORR attend individual sessions of the Industrial College rather regularly. The individuals attending have been primarily division and branch chiefs. It would not be possible to send this type of required high-level representative on a full-time ten-months schedule. Therefore it would seem that ORR is already in effect substantially participating in the proposed program to the best of its ability.

3. From the point of view of the training benefit from the individual schools, ORR has other more specialized training needs which it is trying to fulfill with limited resources and which must take priority over the more generalized type of education these schools can give. In fact, these specialized training needs are basic both to the operation of ORR and to the benefits to be derived from the high-level courses.

4. It is hoped that adequate staffing in the future will permit ORR to participate in a quota at those schools not represented by CIA attendance. Please, however, do not take this as a commitment.

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